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Notice of Non-Compliant Amendment

The amendment to the specification filed on 9/2/04 is considered non-compliant because it has failed to meet the requirements of 37 CFR 1.121 as amended on June 20, 2003 (see 68 Fed. Reg. 38611, June 30, 2003).

- (A) The amendment the specification is not compliant because the amended paragraphs do not include markings to show the amendments.
- (B) The location of the amended paragraphs are not unambiguously identified since it is not clear when applicant recites, for example on page 2 of the amendment, "Replace the 3rd paragraph which begins on page 15" since there are not 3 paragraphs that begin on page 15. The current amendment appears to be referring to the ORIGINAL page numberings that were present in the specification as filed. Further, Applicant should note that the page numbering of the specification has twice been amended since the specification was originally filed, and the current status of the page numbering is confusing, especially with regard to the current amendment. The following table is helpful to understand how the pages of the specification are currently numbered:

Original page number	After amendment received 2/8/00: renumbered pages 11 through 24 to pages 10 through 23	After amendment received 5/19/00: renumbered pages 11 to 20 to pages 10 to 19
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In order to correct both (A) and (B) above, it is recommended that applicant file a substitute specification with proper page numbering and any amendments to the specification that applicant was intending to make in the paper filed 9/2/04 (for example, the amendments which added proper sequence identifiers). Applicant is reminded that under 37 CFR 1.125 the substitute specification should be accompanied by a statement that the specification includes no new matter, a marked up copy of the specification, and a clean copy of the specification. Only the corrected section of the non-compliant amendment document must be resubmitted (in its entirety), in this case, the entire "In the Specification" section of the amendment document must be resubmitted. 37 CFR 1.121(h). That is, applicant is not required to resubmit the other portions of the papers filed with the amendments to the specification 9/2/04.

For further explanation of the amendment format required by 37 CFR 1.121, see MPEP section 714 and the USPTO website at

http://www.uspto.gov/web/offices/pac/dapp/opla/preognotice/officeflyer.pdf.

Since the amendment appears to be a bona fide attempt to be a reply (27 CFR 1.135(c)), applicant is give a TIME PERIOD of ONE MONTH from the amiling of this notice within

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which to re-submit the corrected section which complies with 37 CFR 1.121 in order to avoid abandonment. Extensions of this time period are available under 37 CFR 1.136(a).

Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Juliet C Switzer whose telephone number is (571) 272-0753. The examiner can normally be reached on Monday through Friday, from 9:00 AM until 4:00 PM.

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Gary Benzion can be reached by calling (571) 272-0782.

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